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WEATHER

Last week's weather was predominately dry and unseasonably mild. Average weekly temperatures ranged from nine to 18 degrees above normal. The largest departures from the norm were reported along the eastern and southern borders. Sixty-six degree highs were reported on the 15th at Harrisburg, Imperial, and Scottsbluff.

Much of the snow cover melted during the mild spell; some minor overflows resulted on small streams in the southeast.

Winter returned with a vengeance on the 20th and 21st. A complex winter storm deposited three to six inches of snow across the north, and locally seven inches in the southeast corner. In the east, freezing rain and drizzle added to the weather woes. Fortunately, temperatures were not unseasonably cold during the storm.

CROPS

Unseasonably warm weather eased the stress on livestock during the week with corn harvesting taking place where field conditions permitted. However,

another ice and snowstorm over the week end returned the snow cover to much of the State.

The corn harvest is 97% complete. Harvesting progressed in some areas, but a general wrap-up was prevented by continued wet and muddy fields. Sorghum harvest is 92% complete with virtually no harvesting taking place last week.

Farm activities were limited by the very muddy fields and lots. Livestock care was the main activity with grain movement and preparation of tax forms also requiring time.

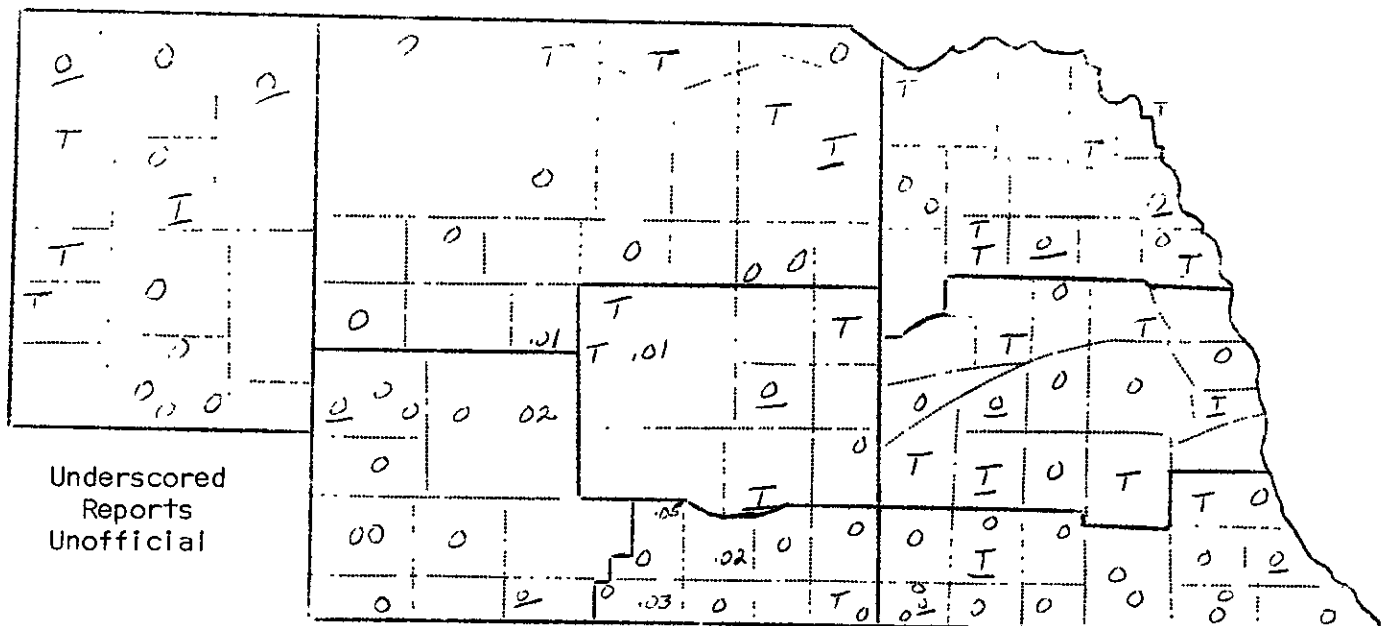
LIVESTOCK

The warm weather during the week allowed livestock to forage for themselves which eased the feed situation. However, supplemental feeding was necessary for livestock grazing native pasture. The snow over the week end will likely require supplemental feeding to resume in most areas. Feedlots are extremely muddy, and losses continue above average.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING 1/21/73

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	.34	Burwell	.15	Chadron	.33
Lincoln	.44	North Platte	.03	Imperial	.02
Norfolk	.85	Valentine	.38	Scottsbluff	.30
Omaha	.77			Sidney	.41
Sioux City	.66				

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 19, 1973



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Daytime highs, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.;
Nighttime lows, 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., CST)

		January		16th		17th		18th		19th		20th		21st	
		15th		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	61	32	60	30	50	31	48	--	48	28	28	25	32	28
	Scottsbluff	66	31	61	33	51	33	47	28	45	30	30	24	33	27
	Sidney	62	27	60	26	52	32	47	24	51	28	28	21	31	20
NC	Burwell	55	30	56	21	36	26	47	23	37	30	33	25	29	--
	Valentine	59	32	60	28	59	35	49	20	41	27	28	21	25	21
NE	Norfolk	45	36	45	32	40	33	45	29	32	29	34	28	31	25
	Sioux City	42	34	46	34	46	34	46	29	34	30	35	30	31	27
CEN	Grand Island	48	35	49	30	41	34	48	25	37	33	36	31	31	28
EC	Lincoln	49	35	52	38	51	34	46	23	34	31	39	30	31	27
	Omaha	44	37	49	39	51	38	48	31	35	29	39	28	31	26
SW	Imperial	63	29	59	25	50	33	49	26	40	31	32	23	32	25
	North Platte	52	25	53	21	48	32	48	21	41	31	32	25	30	25

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